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CIENT STORY OF
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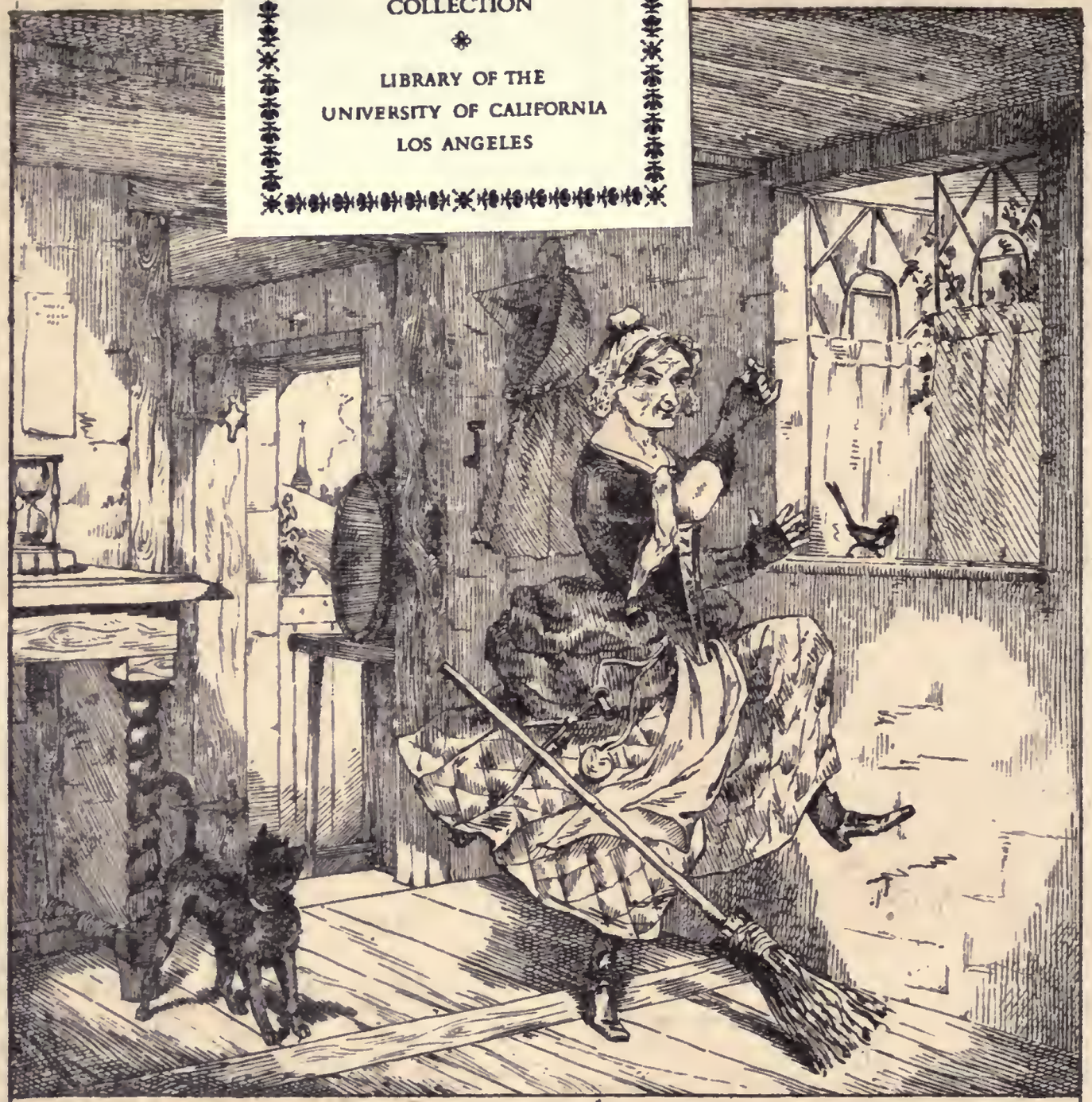

ONCE UPON A TIME AS AN OLD DAME WAS SWEEPING
HER HOUSE SHE FOUND A CROOKED SIXPENCE

WITH WHICH SHE DETERMINED TO GO TO MARKET

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AND BUY A LITTLE PIG.

IN COMING HOME SHE GOT TO A STILE WHICH PIGGY WOULD NOT GET OVER: WHEN UP COMES A DOG; AND SHE SAID-DOG! DOG! BITE PIG; PIG WONT GO OVER THE STILE & I SHAN'T GET HOME TO NIGHT TO BOIL MY APPLE DUMPLINGS O!

BUT THE DOG WOULD NOT, SO SHE SAID - TO HER STICK STICK! STICK! BEAT DOG; DOG WONT BITE PIG; PIG WONT GO OVER THE STILE AND I SHANT GET HOME TO NIGHT TO BOIL MY APPLE DUMPLINGS; O!

BUT THE STICK WOULD NOT SO SHE MADE A FIRE AND SAID FIRE! FIRE! BURN STICK; STICK WON'T BEAT DOG; DOG WONT BITE PIG; PIG WON'T GO OVER THE STILE & I SHANT GET HOME TO NIGHT TO BOIL MY APPLE DUMPLINGS O!

BUT THE FIRE WOULD NOT, SO SHE GOT SOME WATER, AND SAID - WATER! WATER! QUENCH FIRE; FIRE WONT BURN STICK; STICK WONT BEAT DOG; DOG WONT BITE PIG; PIG WONT GO OVER THE STILE AND I SHANT GET HOME TO NIGHT TO BOIL MY APPLE DUMPLINGS O!

BUT THE WATER WOULD NOT, WHEN UP COMES AN OX; AND SHE SAID, OX! OX! DRINK WATER; WATER WONT QUENCH FIRE; FIRE WONT BURN STICK; STICK WONT BEAT DOG; DOG WONT BITE PIG; PIG WONT GO OVER THE STILE & I SHANT GET HOME TO NIGHT TO BOIL MY APPLE DUMPLINGS O!

BUT THE OX WOULD NOT, WHEN UP COMES A BUTCHER AND SHE SAID—BUTCHER! BUTCHER! KILL OX; OX WONT DRINK WATER, WATER WONT QUENCH FIRE: FIRE WONT BURN STICK: STICK WONT BEAT DOG; DOG WONT BITE PIG, PIG WONT GO OVER THE STILE; AND I SHANT GET HOME TO NIGHT TO BOIL MY APPLE DUMPLINGS; O! ____ AND HE ALSO REFUSED TO COMPLY.

SO SHE APPEALED TO A ROPE, A RAT, AND CAT, WITHOUT SUCCESS, UNTIL AT LAST, THE CAT BEGAN TO CATCH THE RAT THE RAT BEGAN TO GNAW THE ROPE, THE ROPE BEGAN TO HANG THE BUTCHER, THE BUTCHER BEGAN TO KILL THE OX, THE OX BEGAN TO DRINK THE WATER, THE WATER BEGAN TO QUENCH THE FIRE, THE FIRE BEGAN TO BURN THE STICK THE STICK BEGAN TO BEAT THE DOG, THE DOG BEGAN TO BITE THE PIG; AND THE LITTLE PIG IN A FRIGHT LEAPT OVER THE STILE.

SO THE OLD DAME COT HOME THAT NICHT
TO BOIL HER APPLE DUMPLINCS, O!

THUS ENDETH THE DIVERTING STORY OF THE OLD WOMAN & HER PIG.

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